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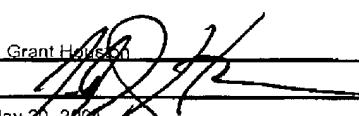
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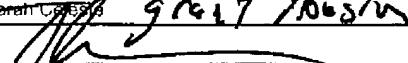
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This is the Applicants' reply to the Examiner's Answer, mailed May 13, 2004.

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